

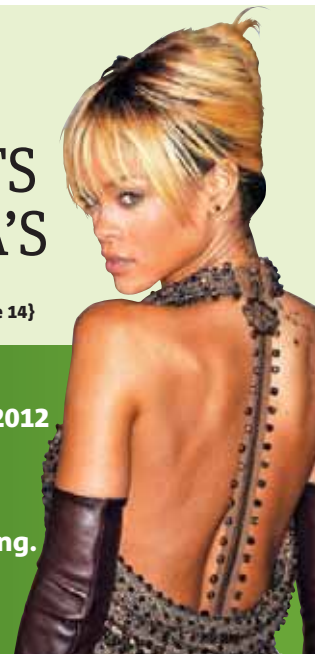


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► Edmonton Oilers' Shawn Horcoff looks on as
Flames goalie Miikka Kiprusoff stops a shot
Tuesday in Calgary. The Oilers won 6-1. Story, page 22.

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Oilers demolish Flames

Occupy Calgary cost tops \$100,000, according to official

► Council will receive a full cost breakdown next month ► Report
will also detail lessons learned in dealing with Occupy movement



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While tents from the Occupy Calgary movement packed up more than two months ago, taxpayers will be swallowing costs of about \$100,000 associated with the demonstration, according to a bylaw boss Bill Bruce.

He said his estimates for the total costs incurred by the city are based largely on staffing, as additional bylaw officers were deployed.

"We didn't incur a lot of overtime because our guys were quite willing to do their shift changes to make it work so the taxpayer didn't take it too hard on the chin, but there was still a cost for this silliness," said Bruce.

Costs due to wear and tear from camping and garbage removal were also included in the \$100,000, but Bruce acknowledged the dam-

Court injunction

- The City of Calgary obtained a court injunction, which forced camping at Olympic Plaza to cease on Dec. 9.
- The group had been in the Plaza since Oct. 15.
- Tavis Ford said the global Occupy movement is planning for a re-occupation in May and said Occupy Calgary will likely return in some form.

ages didn't result in a large price tag.

Tavis Ford, a member of the Occupy movement, said the city's decision to patrol more frequently wasn't necessary as the group wasn't a threat.

"It's unfortunate that it went this way, but sometimes, in the process of change, these costs are incurred by the state, and the tax-

"I think there were a lot of soft costs that went into this that were hard to measure.... I honestly thought it would be a lot more, because this went on way, way too long."

ALD. DIANE COLLEY-URQUHART
ON THE OCCUPY MOVEMENT

payer does bear the burden of that," he said. "But it is, perhaps, a necessary cost."

Ald. Diane Colley-Urquhart, a vocal critic of Occupy Calgary, said she was surprised the costs weren't much higher.

"I think there were a lot of soft costs that went into this that were hard to measure," she said. "To be quite frank, I honestly thought it would be a lot more, because this went on way, way too long."



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'Challenges ahead' for board

Calgary public school board officials have run initial projections on their share of the provincial budget, and the chief superintendent admits "there are some challenges ahead."

Naomi Johnson provided a brief update to trustees Tuesday, but said much work remains to determine impacts to classrooms. She did express support for a more predictable, three-year model introduced in this year's budget. Officially, boards will see a one per cent hike to the basic instruction grant in the fall and subsequent two per cent increases the following two years. Board operating budgets will also jump 3.4 per cent. ● METRO

Accused Mountie stabber was delusional: Psychiatrist

Court heard Tuesday that a Calgary man accused of stabbing an RCMP in the head was delusional and suffering from paranoid schizophrenia. Lee Christopher Monroe has already admitted to harming Sgt. Andy Johnson inside the Alberta serious incident response team office on June 1, 2010, but his legal representation has claimed he was not of sound mind at the time. ● METRO

Parents fear 'exclusionary' decision on Arabic program

- ▶ Entire community behind proposed public-education offering: Advocates
- ▶ Program would be secular ▶ Up to half of classes would be taught in Arabic



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Fouad Jomaa expected to have already enrolled his four-year-old daughter Aisha in a public-school Arabic program.

Instead, he and a number of the other parents spent Tuesday evening pleading to Calgary Board of Education officials and trustees about the merits of a program he believes hundreds of kids will attend.

The CBE initially announced last May they were evaluating the program due to a surge in public interest. Parents in favour say they had been told the program would be unveiled in September.

"It makes it that much harder on her," Jomaa said of the delay, noting Aisha currently devotes four hours on the weekend to studying Arabic instead of relaxing.

"It's not fair to her," added mother Elham Merhi.

Board spokesperson Richard Peter said the program is still being evaluated and nothing has been ruled out.

"What I heard are parents who are very interested in the education of their kids — they're very



▶ Elham Merhi, left, and husband Fouad Jomaa still hope to enrol their daughter Aisha in a public-school Arabic program later this year.

keen on education," he said. "They would like to know there are Arabic-language options in our system, and that's what we have been discussing with them for more than a year and a half."

Mother Alex Poole has publicly led efforts on behalf of parents to bring the program to fruition, and

fears delays may spell the worst for her cause.

"We certainly hope this is not an exclusionary decision against Arabic ... and we are waiting to see what the outcome will be," she said.



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In Edmonton

▶ Attempting to plead their case, parents pointed out in a letter to CBE trustee chair Pat Cochrane that Edmonton's public board has run an Arabic program for more than 25 years and more than 1,000 students are currently enrolled.

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A generation of pet parrots, their novelty long worn off, has been largely neglected and forgotten. Scan code for story.

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News in brief



Robison case put over to April

SHOOTING SUSPECT. A man accused of the attempted murder of two Mounties near Killam on Feb. 7 was not present for his first court appearance on Tuesday. The case was put over to April 3, at which time it's expected that Sawyer Clarke Robison will apply for bail. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

First murder of year in YEG

CRIME. Edmonton police have confirmed that city's

first homicide of 2012. A release says Welid Sahle Meskel, 22, was found early on Sunday. Police have yet to release the cause of death. At this time last year, Edmonton had already recorded its 10th homicide.

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Three dead in central crash

HIGH-SPEED COLLISION. RCMP have identified three people killed in a central Alberta crash on Monday. A Chevy Cavalier was travelling at high speed on Range Road 40 when it failed to obey a stop sign at Highway 39 and was struck by a pickup truck. The victims are Edmontonian William Saunders, 20, and Breton residents Spencer Gustafson, 21, and Morgan Hetchler, 15. The driver of the truck was treated for minor injuries and released.

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Single ladies line up for chance to put a ring on it

- ▶ Bachelor Canada auditions held in Calgary on Tuesday
- ▶ Cross-country search for contestants runs through Feb. 28



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Canadian women are in it for love. Or at least that's what the wannabe contestants of The Bachelor Canada say.

Before the doors to the audition room had even opened, dozens of romantic hopefuls had lined up for their chance to be "the one," but none earlier than 21-year-old Natasha Wolski, who arrived at the Hyatt Regency at 7:30 a.m.

After following along with the American version of The Bachelor, Wolski said she thinks Canadians will bring a different spin to the reality TV series.

"Everyone loves Canadi-

6 The Bachelor Canada casting tour is travelling to six cities. Vancouver was the first stop on the tour on Sunday.

an girls, it's just a fact," she said with a laugh.

Fellow hopeful Kayla Trigiani said Canucks like her are in it for love rather than fame.

"With the American version, a lot of these girls get on the cover of magazines, so I think there might be a hidden agenda," she said.

Casting director Heather Muir agreed that the kind of women the show is looking for are in it for the long haul.



▶ Natasha Wolski, left, and Kayla Trigiani, both 21, were the first two in line on Tuesday to audition for The Bachelor Canada.

"Canadians bring all the personality that the Americans bring, but I think ... we bring a level of passion

and sincerity," she said. "We're very hopeful at the end of this process that we'll have a commitment."



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► Devin Flewell, owner of NoSpot Cleaning Solutions, is one of two companies offering free cleaning sessions to women suffering from cancer.

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Free cleaning offered to cancer patients

► 'I see how much cleaning helps': Company owner



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For Beige Plotts, coming home to a clean house is just one less thing she has to worry about.

When she was diagnosed with breast cancer last fall at the age of 26, she thought she would have plenty of time to clean while she was at home recovering from chemotherapy.

"Cleaning became such a huge chore," said Plotts, describing the fatigue she experienced after treatment. "You can't always get down on your hands and knees and clean the bathtub or

the baseboards."

So Plotts began working with Devin Flewell of NoSpot Cleaning Solutions.

Having seen his step-mother and other key women in his life endure cancer, Flewell said he wanted to offer free cleaning sessions.

"I just thought there has to be a way for my business to get involved," he said.

After finishing her final chemotherapy session in January, Plotts said it was a relief to come home to find Flewell had left her house spotless.

"It's really nice to come home and just feel that sense of relaxation when you walk into your house."

Want more info?

- NoSpot Cleaning Solutions as well as Merry Maids are partners of an American organization called Cleaning for a Reason.
- Both companies offer free cleaning sessions once a month for four months.
- More information about the services provided by NoSpot or Merry Maids can be found at nospot.ca and merrymaids.ca.

Flewell said he is looking to help more women in Calgary currently undergoing cancer treatments.

"I see how much cleaning helps."

MAZATLAN VACATION

Mexico beating victim faces long recovery

A Calgary woman who was severely beaten in Mexico has been released from hospital.

But relatives say Sheila Nabb still has "a lengthy recovery" in front of her and will be likely to need further surgery for her

extensive facial injuries.

Nabb, 37, was found lying in a pool of blood in the elevator of the five-star Hotel Riu resort in Mazatlan in mid-January.

Mexican authorities have charged Jose Ramon Acosta Quintero, 28, with attempted murder.

Quintero told a Mexican newspaper he was drunk and hit her when she started screaming, but denied he wanted to kill her. He also said he was forced to sign a confession without being allowed to read it or speak to a lawyer.

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Abandoned home found ablaze

Fire crews remained on scene for much of the day at an abandoned Calgary home Tuesday after it caught fire in the early morning. Crews arrived at the building, located in the 2400 block of 14th Street Southwest and worked quickly to prevent flames from spreading to nearby buildings. A cause and estimate on damages are still to come. ● METRO

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Pension time bomb?

► **Minister to younger Canadians: Reforms now — or you'll pay later**

The federal government on Tuesday aimed its pension-cutting pitch at younger Canadians.

Human Resources Minister Diane Finley said in Toronto the coming federal budget will define major changes to old age security, the program that gives about \$500 a month to 98 per cent of people over 65.

Unless the government acts now, younger Canadians will face impossible choices of higher taxes, higher deficits or fewer social programs, she said.

"We cannot allow ourselves to be pegged into a situation where we are faced with a choice between the country's financial security, and our commitment to aging Canadians who have worked long and hard to build this great nation."

Finley added: "We will



► Human Resources Minister Diane Finley, pictured in Toronto on Tuesday, gave her personal guarantee that current retirees won't be touched.

need to ensure that our government has the fiscal room to meet the various needs of an aging population ... without putting an undue tax burden on younger generations."

While other countries have acted to increase the age of eligibility to keep in

"Pushing seniors into poverty is not leadership."

NEW DEMOCRAT MP MATTHEW KELLWAY, SPEAKING AFTER FINLEY'S SPEECH

line with aging populations, Canada has stood

still, she said. "It's ticking along as if things haven't changed demographically in 50 years."

Finley did not say how changes would affect low-income seniors who depend on pension benefits to stay above water.

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RESPONSE TO CULL

New rules protect sled dogs

A working dog's life has just got a little easier.

Almost two years after a gruesome sled dog cull, the B.C. government has introduced another layer of protection for working dogs.

The Sled Dog Code of Practice sets out standards of care for

everything from health, nutrition and housing to working conditions, transportation and euthanasia.

The new rules come after the B.C. chapter of the SPCA uncovered a mass grave of 56 sled dogs near Whistler last year. The case drew international outrage.

Marcie Moriarty, general manager of cruelty investigations, said the regulations will "provide minimum standards that will improve working dogs' welfare."

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Parents fit for trial

The parents of a toddler whose remains were found in a suitcase in Jamaica have been declared fit to stand trial.

The couple appeared in a Jamaican court and were remanded until March 2.

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Veterans get pledge

Ottawa will make it easier for veterans to understand their disability benefits.

It promises to improve the information given to veterans as to why they have been awarded or denied benefits.

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Tory's 'love affair' made the spycatchers chuckle

Coquettish correspondence between Tory MP Bob Dechert and a Chinese reporter was more of a comedy than a thriller for Canada's spy service, it seems.

Emails suggest some

within the Canadian Security Intelligence Service got a chuckle out of the whole affair. One email says: "Scandal.. haha."

The emails circulated around CSIS after news broke of Dechert's

flirtatious exchange with Xinhua news agency correspondent Shi Rong.

Dechert, parliamentary secretary to Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird, has insisted his relationship with Shi was

an innocent friendship.

"These emails are flirtatious, but the friendship remained innocent and simply that, a friendship," Dechert said last year.

In an email sent on

April 17, 2010, Dechert wrote: "You are so beautiful. I really like the picture of you by the water with your cheeks puffed."

"That look is so cute. I love it when you do that."

Now, I miss you even more."

The Canadian Press obtained the documents under the Access to Information Act. Shi Rong has been reassigned to China.

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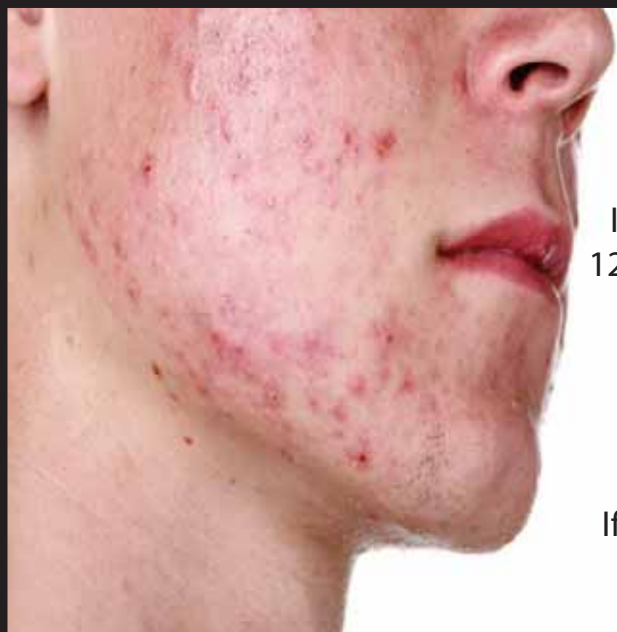
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Food blocked by al-Shabab: Kenyan army

► Southern Somalia on brink of humanitarian crisis, say officials

The Kenyan army is blaming militants for blocking the movement of food and other goods into southern Somalia, which officials say is in the beginning stages of a humanitarian crisis.

Khadra Muhamud Aden, a Somali woman in her 80s, says food supplies are running low because there is no way to transport food from either the Kenyan border or the Somali port of Kismayo because of fighting between Kenyan troops and the al-Qaida-affiliated Somali militant group al-Shabab. The cutting of food supplies has slowed the Kenyan army's advance to-

Kenya's stance

► Kenya sent hundreds of troops into Somalia in October to pursue al-Shabab militants whom it accuses for cross-border attacks and the kidnapping of 10 Kenyans and four Europeans, which threatened to destroy Kenya's tourism industry, a key source of revenue for the economy.

ward Kismayo. Troops are delivering food aid in an attempt to win favour in areas formerly controlled by al-Shabab. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Mouth. Shut



► A Palestinian woman holds a poster depicting Islamic Jihad member Khader Adnan with a locked mouth during a demonstration in Jerusalem Tuesday.

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Free to end hunger strike

Khader Adnan agreed to end his 66-day hunger strike protesting his imprisonment without charge, after reaching a deal with Israel that will free him in April, the Israeli Justice Ministry said Tuesday.

Afghans outraged over burned Qur'ans

The U.S. apologized Tuesday for the burning of Muslim holy books that had been pulled from the shelves of a detention centre library adjoining a major base in eastern Afghanistan because they contained extremist messages or inscriptions.

The White House echoed military officials in saying that the burning of Qur'ans and other Islamic reading material that had been tossed in a pile of garbage was an accident.

But more than 2,000



► Afghan protesters shout slogans in front of the U.S. base of Bagram, Tuesday.

Afghans protested the incident outside the Bagram Air Base that stoked rising anti-foreign sentiment and fueled Afghan claims that foreign troops disrespect their culture and religion.

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Judge defends ruling for abortion

A retired Massachusetts judge is defending her decision to order a mentally ill woman to have an abortion and be sterilized against

her wishes. Christina Harms, who retired last month, defended her ruling in a letter she sent Monday to other Massachusetts family court judges, saying she believed the schizophrenic woman would have chosen to have an abortion if she had been mentally competent. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Sales slump despite discounts

Canadian shoppers reined in spending before Christmas this year as retail sales slumped 0.2 per cent in December despite apparent deep discount sales from stores.

The fall-off followed a revised 0.4 per cent pop in November, an indication that shoppers bought early and were cautious consumers during the holiday season, analysts said.

An RBC post-holiday poll released at about the same time as the Statistics Canada data found 69 per cent of respondents said they managed to keep their Christmas spending in check.

Real sales in terms of volumes were flat, meaning that all the losses were due to retailers discounting prices in order to attract customers.

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U.K. court OK's serving claims via Facebook

Status update: You're sued. Legal authorities said Tuesday that a High Court judge in England has approved the use of Facebook to serve legal claims.

Lawyers in a commercial dispute were last week granted permission to serve a suit against a defendant via the popular social networking site.

Justice Nigel Teare permitted the unconventional method of service during a pretrial hearing into a case that pits two investment managers against a brokerage firm they accuse of overcharging them.

A former trader and an ex-broker, Fabio De Biase and Anjam Ahmad, are also alleged to have been in on the scam.

Jenni Jenkins, who represents Ahmad, said lawyers in the case had been trying to track De Biase in order to serve him with legal documents. She said that a copy of the suit was left at his

last known address, but that it wasn't clear whether he was still living there.

The lawyers didn't have his email address, so they applied for permission to send him the claim through Facebook.

Jenkins, an associate with London-based law firm Memery Crystal, said the lawyers were confident that de Biase's account was still active.

"The counsel told the judge that someone from the firm had been monitoring the account and they'd seen that he's recently added two new friends, which made the judge chuckle," she said.

De Biase was given extra time to respond to the claim "to allow for the possibility that he wasn't accessing his account regularly," she added.

Facebook did not immediately respond to an email seeking comment.

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► An employee holds a BlackBerry PlayBook tablet last July at Research in Motion's annual meeting in Waterloo, Ont.

RIM reveals new PlayBook update

► Company still seen as lagging behind in the growing tablet market in comparison to Apple's popular iPad

Ten months after the release of Research in Motion's first tablet, the device finally has an app to access email.

But analysts say it may be too late for the Waterloo-based company to make a dent in the tablet market, particularly with a new iPad rumoured to be on the way, possibly within weeks.

RIM released an update for its PlayBook tablet Tuesday, adding a host of features including the ability to access email without connecting to a BlackBerry or using a web-based account. The email app can consolidate corporate and personal accounts as well as

messages from social networks, including Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn.

The 2.0 version of the PlayBook operating system also includes web-browser enhancements, new calendar, contacts and video-chat apps, and an updated ver-

sion of BlackBerry Bridge.

That app allows users to control a BlackBerry as though it were a remote control for a PlayBook. Users can also open a document on a BlackBerry and have it viewed on a PlayBook. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Chorus working to counter WestJet

The parent company of regional carrier Jazz Air will work to help Air Canada compete with Calgary-based WestJet when their rival launches a low-fare airline serving smaller domestic markets, Chorus Aviation chief executive Joe Randell said Tuesday.

Randell said the agreement with Air Canada covers 83 destinations with 125 Jazz aircraft operating for the mainline airline. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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The Oscars are coming up this Sunday.

I love the Oscars — the glitz, the fun, the drama, the suspense.

Of course, when my favourite movie doesn't win and some piece of schmaltz does, I'm left braying at the TV: "Who voted for Driving Miss Daisy? Who are these people? Don't they know anything?"

Now, thanks to the LA Times, I have the answer, which is: People Just Like Me.

After an exhaustive and pointless investigation — pointless because even though millions are starving and the planet is in peril, the LA Times is squandering precious dwindling journalistic resources on revealing the demographic makeup of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences — the results confirm your worst nightmare.

Ninety-four per cent of the people who vote the Oscars are white. Seventy-seven per cent are male. Their median age is 62, and just 14 per cent of the membership is under 50.

Two per cent are black.

This explains a lot. Like why Steven Spielberg must be nominated for something every year, even if it's War Horse. Steven Spielberg is the king of all the old white guys.

It explains why your little indie fave did not get nominated for best picture. Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close, which stars Tom Hanks, the duke of all the old white guys, did.

It explains why Bob Hope hosted the Oscars 18 times and why Billy Crystal's back this year, after Oscar's tragic experiment with the under-50 demographic last year. Remember James Franco and Anne Hathaway? Why send a couple of dumb kids out to do an old white guy's job when you can get Billy?

Eddie Murphy was supposed to host the Oscars this year, but quit to support show producer Brett Ratner (old white guy) who was fired for an alleged racial slur. How's that for irony?

Anyway, now that Billy's back, order has been restored in the old-white-guy universe, and we can get on with voting for Steve.

The problem, as anyone who ever hangs out in west L.A. knows, is that almost everyone in the movie business is an old white guy, and it's really hard to break in unless, like their descendants, you "know somebody." So if you're black, Latino, female and — especially — under 50, shut up and go to Sundance.

That said, the boys are suckers for interracial drama (see Driving Miss Daisy). And The Help, which takes a timely, fearless look at interracial drama circa 1963, is nominated this year. So my peeps are going to have a tough time deciding between that and Steve Who Must Be Nominated.

My money's on The Help. We may be old, but we're enlightened.

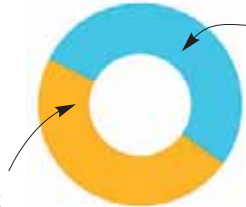
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Incredible bubble



Photographer makes 'pop art'

MACROPHOTOGRAPHY. It's the humble bubble, revealed in extraordinary, psychedelic detail. Amateur photographer Jane Thomas's close-up shots capture the stunning patterns that form in soapy water before it is blown out through an ordinary bubble wand. Thomas told Metro she discovered "bubble art" while washing dishes.

● MWN

60 seconds



Jane Thomas, 58, retired music teacher and amateur photographer from Ayrshire, southwest Scotland.

How did you discover "bubble art"?

I was doing the washing

up! I saw some soap suds inside a grill pan. On closer inspection, I noticed they were changing colour and developing patterns. Straight away I thought it would be a great subject for macrophotography, so I forgot about the dishes and got out the camera!

Do you add colours to this bubble mixture?

No, I just use washing-up liquid or shampoo — the thicker and less diluted, the better, so that patterns move slower and

last longer. Like fingerprints, no two patterns are ever the same — only more colourful. The colours are natural and anyone can see them with the naked eye if they hold a flat film of soap in a ring and hold it up to the light.

What inspired you to take such colourful photographs?

My husband Geoffrey. Although he is totally blind, years of describing things to him has made me more observant. I notice things in more detail these days.

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Queen concert



Former American Idol singer Adam Lambert is joining Queen for one concert this summer, at Sonisphere 2012.

Queen's Brian May and Roger Taylor confirmed Tuesday that the American singer-songwriter will perform vocals for the band's headline set. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Canuck sound editor David Giammarco goes from tire factory to Oscar red carpet.

Rihanna, Brown reunite

► On Monday, they both put out tracks featuring each other ► We all remember what happened three years ago ► Should we applaud their collaboration, or be appalled?

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You'll never forget that image of Rihanna from 2009, after she was beaten by her then-boyfriend, R&B singer Chris Brown. But can you forgive? Apparently, Rihanna can: On Monday, she released a remix of her hit song Birthday Cake featuring an appearance by Brown.

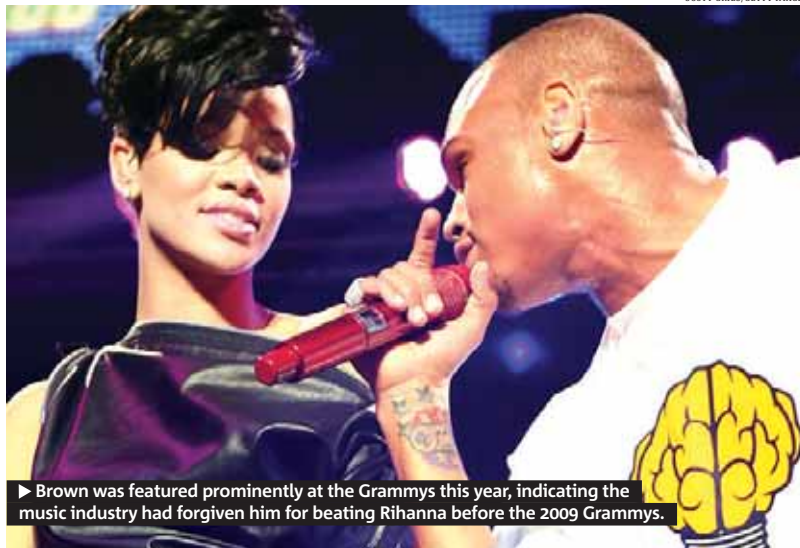
"I've been missing your body," he raps, while she adds: "I know you wanna bite this, it's so enticing." (The YouTube video she posted has no images, just text that says: "Yikes.")

Meanwhile, Brown released a track called Turn Up the Music with vocals by Rihanna.

Earlier that day — Rihanna's 24th birthday — the duo also tweeted one another sweet messages.

"HAPPY BIRTHDAY ROBYN," wrote Brown, using her birth name. Rihanna thanked him via retweet, just minutes later.

Their apparent reconciliation comes after controversy last week, when Brown was featured prominently at the Grammys, in-



► Brown was featured prominently at the Grammys this year, indicating the music industry had forgiven him for beating Rihanna before the 2009 Grammys.

dicating the music industry has also forgiven him.

Tweeting after the show last week, musician Miranda Lambert wrote: "Where I come from, beating up on a women is never OK."

The whole drama leaves us wondering what this says to women who have been victims of assault within a romantic relationship.

Dr. Sheri Jacobson, clinical director of Harley Therapy, a psychotherapy centre,

believes it could send a disturbing message about how maltreatment can be overlooked, or even accepted: "In a romantic sense, it has the danger of a creating a false reality as not everyone has the mental or emotional capacity for change," she tells Metro.

"Hopefully it won't encourage people to look up to Rihanna and Brown as a new ideal, and make them think it's OK to go back to a violent partner."

On the other hand, Brown seems to have learned from his mistakes. He has apologized on television for the 2009 incident.

"I'd like to think that we can believe in people to repair, heal and develop," says Jacobson. "Brown appears to have learned his lesson and has certainly paid heavily for his behaviour toward Rihanna. In that light, it would be distressing if they were to be frowned upon — one strike

Fans react

After the birthday tweets between Brown and Rihanna, followers responded with a flurry of mixed reactions.



► **Optimism:** "C'mon guys - I love ya together!!!! Get back together! If ya really love each other! Efff these haterZ! <3 muahzz!," one fan tweeted.

► **Concern:** Another follower was less enthusiastic, tweeting to Rihanna, "Remember bobby brown and Whitney Houston and what happen to her thanks to him. I love ur singing and don't want anything to happen to you <3."

and he's out.

"If you really care for someone," she continues, "as seems to be the case here, you tend to overlook and tolerate their behaviour. You can't carry it through without some kind of human emotion, romantic or not."

And whatever happens between them, people will always be watching."

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Aniston denies being latest home wrecker

► Former Friends' star also squashes rumours she is pregnant with triplets

Since Justin Theroux broke up with his girlfriend of 14 years shortly before getting together with Jennifer Aniston, the former Friends star has been dodging claims that she's a home wrecker. But Aniston insists she and Theroux — who met while filming Wanderlust — didn't get together until later.

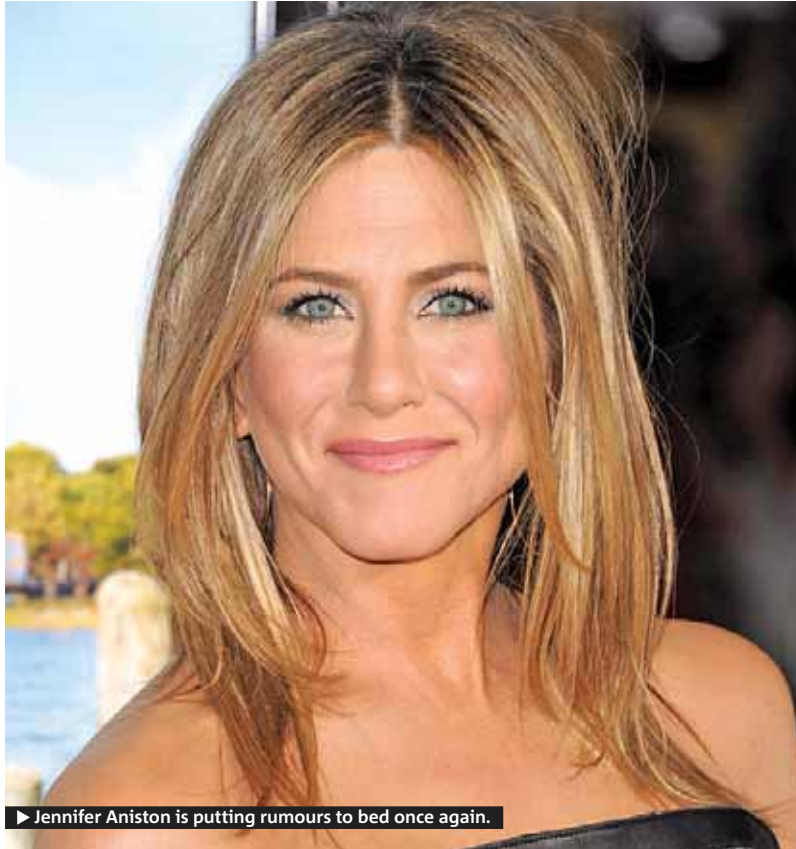
"Nothing happened on that movie," she tells GQ magazine. "It's a rumour — it's the easy rumour, but nothing happened. We were just friends."

Speaking of rumours, Aniston continues to use her current press tour to clear up a few stories floating around about her.

"I'm not having triplets. Not having twins. Nor am I having one baby. I did not elope," she tells the magazine. "The one time I do say, 'Yes! I'm pregnant!' they'll be like, 'Pfft. Right.'" **● METRO**

"It's a rumour — it's the easy rumour, but nothing happened."

JENNIFER ANISTON



► Jennifer Aniston is putting rumours to bed once again.

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Talking points

Sheen offers an apology to Kutcher

BUT NO APOLOGY FOR THE SHOW. Charlie Sheen clearly had second thoughts about his recent harsh words about Ashton Kutcher and the new season of Two and a Half Men, as he's issued an apology to his sitcom replacement — via TMZ, of course.

"Dear Ashton. My bad. I was disrespectful to a man doing his best," Sheen writes. "I got excited and threw you into the crossfire, but the rest of my statement I stand behind. You however, deserve better. Safety in your travels sir."

The part of his previous tirade that he's not apologizing for?

"I'm tired of pretending the show doesn't suck," he said, adding that Kutcher is "saddled with bad writing."

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Katy Perry is not Tebowing

HYPE FOR HYPE'S SAKE Tim Tebow insists that he and Katy Perry are not dating — much to

Celebrity tweets



@AlbertBrooks

"I'm feeling so good this morning that I set my doomsday watch back by a whole minute."



@lindsaylohan

"iTunes is DRIVING ME INSANE... why does it do this? It literally, is LYING to me and saying that my security code is NOT correct & IT IS!"

@CeeLoGreen

"2012 is mine"



@Joan_Rivers

"Just found out I will not be a presenter at next week's Oscars. I did, however, get a callback for the 'death reel.'"

the dismay of Perry's mother.

"No, there's not" any truth to the hookup rumours, Tebow tells Hollyscoop. "I'm just having fun and enjoying my life, trying to enjoy every moment and not get too caught up in any of the hype." **● METRO**

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► From Dali to animatronic dolphins, here's a side of Florida you never knew existed
► David Downing, of the St. Pete and Clearwater visitor bureau, shares what's hot this winter

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Great for families

"Parents magazine just rated our Fort DeSoto Park the No. 1 Family Beach in the USA," Downing says. He attributes this ranking to the fact the shallow beach is "almost like a swimming pool." The picnic areas, campgrounds and bike rentals all add to the family-friendly destination.



► The pier at Fort DeSoto.

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Pack your shades

Leave the umbrella at home. "We hold the world record for the most consecutive days of sunshine," boasts Downing. "We had 762 days of sunshine — in a row."

Live the movies

You can meet Winter, the world's most famous animatronic dolphin and inspiration for the film Dolphin Tale, at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium. The exhibit Winter's Dolphin Tale Adventure showcases Winter as well as sets from the film.

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Meet Florida's cultural side

The Dali Museum just celebrated their first anniversary of a new facility, according to Downing. "It's the most comprehensive collection of Dali's work in the world," he says.

October will mark the first major visiting exhibition by Jeff Koons.

Also a must-see? The Museum of Fine Arts in St. Petersburg — the new director led the education department at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York for 18 years.



► St. Petersburg at night.

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Drink up!

Although St. Petersburg might have a reputation as a sleepy beach town, Downing boasts that the nightlife is world-class.

"In a five-block radius, there are 25 bars, restaurants, nightclubs, dancing, live music — and most stay open until 3 a.m."

He tells us one of the best things about St. Petersburg is the convenient fact that you don't need a car.

"If you stay in our downtown, you can just walk around or rent a golf car for a couple of bucks to hit all of the sites," he says.

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Travel in brief



Florida's tourism agency says a record 85.9 million people visited the state last year. Visit Florida said that the estimated total was a 4.4 per cent increase over 2010 and the highest number since 2007. The number shows Florida tourism — the state's leading industry — has rebounded from a crippling recession and 2010 oil spill that kept visitors away from its beaches and attractions.

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A silent journey

► With the new silent film *The Artist* nominated for best picture at the Academy Awards this weekend, it's time to embrace some silent film history

From around 1910 to the late 1920s, the silent film industry dominated Los Angeles. Without permits, unions or worries about sound, filmmakers could just grab a camera and shoot scenes on the spot, transforming various L.A. locales into any place the script called for.

The Artist, a Golden Globe winner and Oscar contender that harkens back to the lost art of telling a story in black and white, without talking, has renewed interest in that early genre. Fortunately, many of the locations where exteriors were filmed during the silent film era still exist today, and you can find them



► The Jim Henson Company Lot boasts an image of Charlie Chaplin. The lot was originally built for Charlie Chaplin Studios in 1918.

hidden around the city. "Southern California was

perfectly situated" as a backdrop for all types of movie settings, said film historian John Bengtson, author of a number of books about the era, including *Silent Traces: Discovering Early Hollywood Through the Films of Charlie Chaplin*.

"There was a diversity of geological features, the beach, desert," Bengtson said. "There were rough terrains for the Westerns. There were mountains. There were lakes. Downtown Los Angeles was a thriving city, so you got your urban shots."

Bengtson started researching then-and-now locations from scenes in the films of silent comedy stars Buster Keaton, Charlie Chaplin and Harold Lloyd more than 15 years ago, without the help of the Internet. He's since identified dozens of locations, and has

conducted various silent film walking tours.

One famous image from that era that lives on shows Lloyd clumsily climbing up the side of a building in downtown Los Angeles to escape a police officer in the 1923 romantic comedy *Safety Last!*

Lloyd, in his signature straw hat and round horn-rimmed glasses, then grasps onto a large clock on the building. He hangs on for dear life with traffic rushing far below.

The tall building in downtown L.A. where Lloyd shot that famed clock scene still stands, at 908 S. Broadway. The clock, constructed specifically for the movie, doesn't.

A building facade was actually built on the 908 S. Broadway building's roof, along with a camera tower to film the set, in order to create the illusion of steep



► Harold Lloyd famously hung off a clock on this building in *Safety Last!*

height, keeping the building's roof out of frame, but with actual views of the street below, said Bengtson.

"They didn't have CGI (computer generated imagery) then. They did have glass paintings," said Randy Haberkamp, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences' director of educational programming. "They would paint out part of the city. You would see a famous hill in the Los Angeles area, and you would say, 'Where was that house there?' The artists of that era were so clever."

Actor, writer and director Chaplin, iconic as a vagrant, big-hearted character known as the Tramp in many of his silent films, complete with bushy short moustache and black

bowler hat, filmed all around L.A. before settling into his Charlie Chaplin Studios, 1416 N. La Brea Ave., in the heart of Hollywood.

The structure is now the Jim Henson Company Lot, with a statue of Henson creation Kermit the Frog dressed as Chaplin in his recognizable hat and jacket above the main gate. Concrete footprints of Chaplin are also there.

"Sometimes, when it comes to talking, sometimes less is more. I think people who love silent films really appreciate body language and other things that are communicated. There's a deeper human understanding that you can get," said Haberkamp.

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Back in the day, Lake Tahoe was 'the' place where stars, dignitaries, and even the notorious Rat Pack came to stay and play while recharging their famous batteries.



► Lake Tahoe offers a respite from the lights of Las Vegas.

Now, being a major Sinatra fan, it was a particular thrill to pull up to the front entrance of the very retro, very cool, very old school Cal Neva Lodge, especially since it almost seemed as though Frank, Dean and Sammy might still be crooning a tune inside the Frank Sinatra showroom.

In fact Frank owned the resort for a few years back

in the '60s. Even the big neon sign out front hasn't changed much since the Rat Pack hung out here.

Once inside it was like walking back in time. Some slots still actually worked with real coins instead of high-tech player cards.

One of the main draw cards for me, despite my claustrophobia, was the little-known secret underground tunnel tour.



► The Rat Pack

Four days a week, Neva offers visitors a chance to go deep underground, to experience a little known piece of celebrity history. I felt like I was entering an ancient brick dungeon, as our guide explained this cramped tunnel was built so Sinatra could hide from the throngs during his daily

Other cool things to do in Lake Tahoe




- **Take a self-guided snowmobile tour:** Roar through the Sierras in style with your own personal machine.
- **Whitewater rafting:** Take a wild and wet ride on the Truckee river. Brave the class three rapids through the high Sierra desert on an 11-kilometre guided adventure courtesy of Tributary White Water tours.

trip from his luxury cabin out back, to the casino showroom. Deep in the bowels of this dark and spooky passageway, I noticed a small X marked on

the wall, which, it turns out, marks a very notorious spot. This is supposedly the exact place where then-president John F. Kennedy and Marilyn Monroe consummated their clandestine relationship, while unsuspecting gamblers spent their money on the casino floor directly above.

"Ring a ding ding!" as Frank would say. That's some entertaining folklore for the \$10 tour price. The Cal Neva and other Tahoe casinos still have that intimate small-town feel. Despite the fact Tahoe has obviously expanded over the years, it has managed to retain its natural beauty. Where else can you ski and hike amid stunning scenery all morning, and still get back to the casino in time to lose the kids college money by nightfall?

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Classic flavours for timeless flicks

► This Sunday, the stars will gather in Hollywood for the Academy Awards ► Here, we take a look back at two early classics that won best picture — complete with themed snacks to serve at your Oscar party

Casablanca

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► This recipe makes 30 cookies.

In The Chips: Casablanca

Everybody comes to Rick's Café Américain in

the movie Casablanca, whether it's for cocktails, food, forged letters of transit or hopes of winning big at roulette.

Though you'll likely want to stick to the first two.

If you're looking to

gamble on something new, why not try some potato chip cookies, a twist on the traditional snack.

We can't guarantee your friends will be shocked — shocked! — but they may be mildly surprised.

Potato Chip Cookies Preparation:

- 1 In the bowl of an electric mixer, beat together the unsalted butter, with brown sugar.
- 2 Add the egg and beat again. Add the flour, baking powder, finely

crushed potato chips and sliced almonds. Mix just until combined.

- 3 Scoop by teaspoonful onto parchment-lined baking sheets and bake for 10 to 12 minutes in a 180 C (350 F) oven.

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Ingredients:

- 125 ml (1/2 cup) unsalted butter
- 250 ml (1 packed cup) of brown sugar
- 1 egg

- 500 ml (2 cups) all-purpose flour
- 5 ml (1 tsp) baking powder
- 250 ml (1 cup) finely crushed potato chips
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) sliced almonds

Moroccan Sour Cocktail

Here's a recipe for a spicy whiskey sour that would be right at home in the '40s nightclub scene that serves as the background for Casablanca's story of love and war.

Preparation:

- 1 In double old-fashioned glass, stir together whiskey, lemon juice, sugar, ginger, turmeric and cinnamon until sugar is completely dissolved. Add 1 ice cube and top with a splash of seltzer water. Garnish with a lemon twist.

Ingredients:

- 60 ml (2 oz) whiskey
- Juice of half a lemon
- 5 ml (1 tsp) sugar
- Pinch dry ground ginger
- Pinch of turmeric
- Pinch of cinnamon
- Seltzer water or club soda
- Lemon twist, for garnish

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The Scarlett Cocktail

A starving Scarlett O'Hara resorts to grubbing up radishes in the famous "I'll never be hungry again" scene that ends the first half of the classic *Gone With the Wind*.

Luckily, you can try something much tastier with this crimson cocktail featuring cranberry and cherry juice.

Preparation:

- 1 In a cocktail shaker filled with ice, combine cranberry

juice, cherry juice, vodka and lime juice. Shake and pour into a martini glass. Garnish with fresh cherries.

Ingredients:

- 60 ml (2 oz) cranberry juice
- 60 ml (2 oz) cherry juice
- 60 ml (2 oz) citrus vodka
- 30 ml (1 oz) lime juice
- Fresh cherries, for garnish

Scarlett Fever: Gone with the Wind

Serve some Manchego cheese toasts on the side for an elegant nibble.

This appetizer uses banana bread, a food that came into vogue in the 1930s as baking powder and baking soda became staples of the American kitchen.

It's not likely you'll have leftovers, but if you do, fiddle-dee-dee! Tomorrow is another day.

Manchego Banana Bites Preparation:

- 1 Slice banana bread thinly and cut into 5-cm (2-inch) rounds with a small cookie cutter.
- 2 In a skillet, melt butter over medium-high.
- 3 Toast banana bread rounds in buttered skillet.
- 4 Serve topped with slices of Manchego cheese and toasted pecans.

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Ingredients:

- 1 banana bread
- butter for frying
- 24 Manchego cheese slices
- 24 toasted pecans

Gone With the Wind

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Don't let rejection stand in your way

► It's easy to get discouraged during a job hunt ► But even a 'no' means you can focus on other opportunities



LAUREN STEIN
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It's a rush getting that email or phone call — when those hours of rewriting, reformatting and self-branding have inspired someone to ask whether the flesh-and-blood You might be available to meet.

I was bursting with anticipation when I recently discovered, thanks to some LinkedIn sleuthing, an opening for a social media/communications position at a company that just happened to employ an old acquaintance of mine.

I sent my contact a message immediately, pouncing on the opportunity.

As a recent graduate of the Concordia University creative writing program, let me tell you, the worst part isn't getting that re-

jection letter — it's waiting for it to arrive.

The best part of working your network is that waiting is almost non-existent. I heard back from my contact the same day, not only with a request for my paper-self, but an inquiry about my availabilities so that an interview could be scheduled.

Within hours I had an interview set and some pep in my step.

Things got a little murky when, the following day, my contact had to swap our interview to another time, and I proactively suggested a place and time. I never received a confirmation.

Fast-forward to the scheduled time and place: I decided to assume that no response leaned toward the affirmative. I was prepared, dressed appropri-



► Lauren Stein

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Key take-aways

- Use your network — it's not a sure thing, but it will get you talking to the right people
- Don't get discouraged by rejection
- Find an activity or hobby unrelated to job hunting that you enjoy

ately, arrived early. And I waited. I waited for a half hour before I sent my contact a message to ask if we were still meeting. I waited another 15 minutes to see if maybe he got lost/stuck in traffic/couldn't find parking/slept in.

I eventually did get a response from my contact, stating that the position had already been filled.

Like most things that involve putting yourself out there (job hunting, writing,

dating, Canadian Idol auditions), the easiest thing to do is get discouraged. If you've just graduated, whether you're working part-time or volunteering alongside your job search process, don't wallow if things aren't working out.

Where I am now

I'm still on the prowl for career-launching employment, but am currently part-timing at a coffee house and I've applied to the creative book publishing post-grad certificate program at Humber College. I'm also writing and submitting my work to various literary magazines, for which, even after 100 days of waiting, I always get some kind of response.

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▶ Jordan Eberle, left, celebrates Oilers teammate Sam Gagner's goal as Calgary's Olli Jokinen skates away on Tuesday night.

Plenty of fuel, no fire

▶ Young Oilers put damper on Flames' playoff push with dominant victory

Sam Gagner scored once and added two assists Tuesday as the Edmonton Oilers erupted for four unanswered goals in the second period to stun the Flames 6-1 in Calgary.

Jordan Eberle, Ryan Smyth, Taylor Hall, Ales Hemsky and Eric Belanger had the other goals for Edmonton (23-30-6).

Scott Hannan, with his second of the season and first in 52 games, had the only goal as Calgary (28-23-10) lost in regulation for the first time since Jan. 31.

Going into the game, all signs pointed to the Flames having a big edge in the Battle of Alberta.

Calgary entered with 5-0-



3 record in February. Meanwhile, Edmonton had won just once in its last six outings and just one of its previous nine on the road.

But the Oilers were the better team from the opening faceoff. Unlucky to not

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The Flames had won 10 straight at home against the Oilers and had beaten Edmonton in 16 of 17 meetings.

be ahead after a first period in which the Oilers outshot Calgary 17-7, Edmonton continued to pressure.

Hall and Eberle racked up five shots each in the first, and the Flames were fortunate to finish the period tied 1-1.

The home side almost escaped the first period up 1-0 but Eberle scored on a great individual effort with 1:12

remaining. Kiprusoff stopped a dangerous shot from Gagner, jabbed out a pad to stop Eberle on his first shot, but the Oilers' top scorer found his own rebound and lifted a backhand under the crossbar.

It looked for a time like it was going to be another headline-stealing game for Miiikka Kiprusoff, who entered the night 10-3-3 in his last 16 games, with a .944 save percentage.

However, the constant pressure by the younger and faster Oilers eventually resulted in a breakthrough as Edmonton scored three times in less than five minutes to seize a 4-1 lead.

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Wings add depth in 3-team swap



▶ Kyle Quincey

The Detroit Red Wings acquired defenceman Kyle Quincey on Tuesday in a three-team deal that sent forward Steve Downie from the Tampa Bay Lightning to the Colorado Avalanche.

The Lightning acquired a first-round pick in this year's draft and minor league defenceman Sebastian Piche after ex-

"He's a good player. We're thrilled to have him back."

DETROIT COACH MIKE BABCOCK ON RE-ACQUIRING KYLE QUINCEY

changing Downie for Quincey with the Avalanche. Tampa Bay then dealt Quincey to the Red

Wings for a first-round pick and Piche.

Quincey was drafted by Detroit in 2003, and played a role as the Red Wings reached the Western Conference finals in 2007. He played in 13 playoff games, helping fill a void left by injured defenceman Mathieu Schneider.

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Fantuz brings veteran insight to Hamilton

At just 28 years of age, Andy Fantuz suddenly finds himself a CFL elder statesman.

On Tuesday, the Hamilton Tiger-Cats introduced a tanned Fantuz, who spent last week on vacation in Africa, after agreeing to terms with the free-agent slotback Friday. Fantuz signed a four-year contract with the Ticats after spending the first six years of his career with the Saskatchewan Roughriders.

Hamilton dug deep to secure Fantuz as the native of Chatham will reportedly earn \$190,000 annually. Fantuz, the CFL's 2010 top Canadian, will open the season as the Ticats' second-oldest receiver behind 32-year-old slotback Dave Stala and help to mentor the club's young talent.

"I can help them out and teach them some of the things I've acquired ... and some of the tips on the field," Fantuz said. "I want to work with the whole group, really bring the team together and try to make it a cohesive unit and become a family and try to get us working as a team."

Saskatchewan and Hamilton both pursued Fantuz hard, with the former University of Western Ontario star saying the opportunity to play close to home and reunite with coach George Cortez factored into his decision. Cortez served as the Roughriders' offensive coordinator in Fantuz's rookie season. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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"I've always wanted to come back home and get a chance to play in southwestern Ontario and when the opportunity arose, all the pieces fell into place."

ANDY FANTUZ

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	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-NY Rangers	58	38	15	1	4	161	118	81	19-7-0-2	19-8-1-2	7-3-0-0	L1
d-Boston	57	35	20	1	1	190	132	72	18-10-1-1	17-10-0-0	4-6-0-0	L2
d-Florida	58	27	20	5	6	144	162	65	14-8-1-6	13-12-4-0	5-5-0-0	L3
New Jersey	59	35	20	1	3	168	162	74	16-10-0-3	19-10-1-0	8-1-0-1	W4
Philadelphia	59	33	19	2	5	198	181	73	14-10-1-4	19-9-1-1	4-5-0-1	W1
Pittsburgh	60	34	21	2	3	186	160	73	18-8-2-0	16-13-0-3	5-4-0-1	W1
Ottawa	61	31	22	6	2	185	183	70	15-11-2-1	16-11-4-1	4-4-2-0	W3
Toronto	60	29	24	4	3	181	184	65	16-9-3-2	13-15-1-1	4-5-1-0	L2
Winnipeg	62	29	26	4	3	157	175	65	18-9-1-2	11-17-3-1	5-4-1-0	L1
Washington	59	29	25	2	3	159	168	63	18-9-0-2	10-17-2-1	3-6-0-1	L2
Tampa Bay	59	27	26	3	3	166	197	60	18-9-1-1	9-17-2-2	5-3-2-0	W3
Buffalo	60	26	27	3	4	150	176	59	15-11-3-4	11-16-0-0	5-3-0-2	W2
NY Islanders	60	25	27	5	3	139	171	58	13-14-5-0	12-13-1-2	4-5-0-1	L2
Montreal	61	24	27	2	8	160	167	58	11-14-2-6	13-13-0-2	5-4-0-1	L2
Carolina	60	23	26	7	4	158	181	57	16-12-0-3	7-14-7-1	6-2-2-0	W1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Detroit	61	41	18	1	1	191	141	84	26-12-1-0	15-16-0-1	7-2-0-1	L1
d-Vancouver	60	38	16	0	6	195	147	82	18-6-0-4	20-10-0-2	7-1-0-2	L1
d-San Jose	58	31	20	4	3	170	148	69	18-9-2-0	13-11-2-3	3-6-1-0	L4
St. Louis	59	36	16	1	6	150	117	79	26-13-1-3	10-13-0-3	7-3-0-0	L1
Nashville	60	35	19	3	3	168	155	76	19-7-2-2	16-12-1-1	5-3-0-2	W2
Chicago	61	33	21	4	3	191	179	73	21-6-1-3	12-15-0-0	4-6-0-0	W4
Phoenix	60	30	27	3	6	157	151	69	16-10-2-2	12-14-1-4	8-1-0-1	W3
Los Angeles	60	27	21	5	7	128	131	66	15-13-0-4	12-8-5-3	3-5-1-1	L3
Calgary	60	28	23	5	4	143	161	65	16-9-1-1	12-14-4-3	5-2-2-1	L1
Dallas	60	30	26	1	3	155	167	62	16-10-2-2	14-14-1-1	4-4-1-1	W1
Colorado	60	29	27	3	1	151	168	64	16-13-0-1	13-14-3-0	3-5-1-1	L1
Minnesota	59	26	24	2	7	131	154	61	14-10-1-3	12-14-1-4	2-6-0-2	W1
Anaheim	60	25	25	4	6	154	171	60	15-13-0-0	10-12-2-6	6-1-1-2	L1
Edmonton	59	23	30	2	4	159	178	52	15-10-2-2	8-20-0-2	5-4-1-0	W1
Columbus	60	18	35	2	5	142	198	43	11-16-1-2	7-19-1-3	5-4-1-0	W1

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results

New Jersey 4 Toronto 3 (OT)
Philadelphia 5 Winnipeg 4 (OT)
Nashville 3 Vancouver 1
Dallas 3 Montreal 0
Edmonton 6 Calgary 1
Chicago 2 Detroit 1
Columbus 6 San Jose 3
Tampa Bay 3 Anaheim 2
Pittsburgh 2 N.Y. Rangers 0
Buffalo 2 N.Y. Islanders 1
Phoenix 5 Los Angeles 4 (SO)
Monday's results
Ottawa 6 N.Y. Islanders 0
Carolina 5 Washington 0
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Washington at Ottawa, 7 p.m.
Boston at St. Louis, 8 p.m.
Los Angeles at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
San Jose at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Anaheim at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Florida, 7 p.m.
Vancouver at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
St. Louis at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Winnipeg, 8:30 p.m.
Dallas at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Philadelphia at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.
Friday's games
Vancouver at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Washington, 7 p.m.
Colorado at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Boston at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.

FLYERS 5, JETS 4 (OT)

First Period

1. Winnipeg, Byfuglien 9 (Stapleton, Little) 12:31 (pp)
2. Philadelphia, Giroux 23 (Hartnell, Carle) 15:50
Penalties — Burmistrov Wpg (high-sticking) 8:59, Talbot Pha (cross-checking) 12:04.
Second Period
3. Philadelphia, Hartnell 28 (Simmonds, Timonen) 1:08 (pp)
4. Winnipeg, Ladd 18 (Wheeler, Stapleton) 7:52 (pp)
5. Winnipeg, Ladd 19 (Little, Byfuglien) 8:56
6. Philadelphia, Talbot 17 (Meszaros, Grossman) 11:14
Penalties — Enstrom Wpg (interference) 0:57, Coburn Pha (hooking) 6:34.
Third Period
7. Winnipeg, Kane 23 (Stapleton) 4:57 (pp)
8. Philadelphia, Simmonds 22 (van Riemsdyk, Giroux) 19:50
Penalties — Briere Pha (tripping) 3:59, Read Pha (roughing), Slater Wpg (double roughing) 11:39.
Overtime
9. Philadelphia, Jagr 16 (Briere) 4:16
Penalties — None.
Shots on goal
Philadelphia 15 16 18 6 —55
Winnipeg 10 10 5 1 —26
Goal — Philadelphia: Bryzgalov (W,21-11-6); Winnipeg: Pavlec (L,22-21-6).
Power plays (goals-chances) — Philadelphia: 1-3; Winnipeg: 3-3.
Referees — Brad Meier, Kelly Sutherland.
Linesmen — Scott Cherry, Shane Heyer.
Attendance — 15,004 (15,004) at Winnipeg.

DEVILS 4, MAPLE LEAFS 3 (OT)

First Period

1. New Jersey, Sykora 14 (Henrique, Taormina) 9:44
2. New Jersey, Clarkson 23 (Elias, Sykora) 14:16
3. Toronto, Connolly 9 (Franson, Crabb) 14:32
Penalties — Phaneuf Tor (tripping) 7:35, Clarkson NJ (roughing, fighting), Phaneuf Tor (fighting) 16:36, Kessel Tor (tripping) 17:34.
Second Period
4. Toronto, MacArthur 18 (Kulemin, Grabovski) 14:43
5. New Jersey, Ponikarovsky 11 (Zubrus, Volchenkov) 18:11
Penalties — Boulton NJ (boarding) 2:59, Lombardi Tor (hooking) 7:04.
Third Period
6. Toronto, Kessel 31 (Bozak, Lupul) 19:16
Penalties — None.
Overtime
7. New Jersey, Fayne4 (Henrique, Kovalchuk) 1:18
Penalties — None.
Shots on goal
New Jersey 13 8 9 2 —32
Toronto 9 13 10 0 —32
Goal — New Jersey: Brodeur (W,22-13-2); Toronto: Gustavsson (L,16-13-2). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — NJ: 0-3; Toronto: 2.
Attendance — 19,426 (18,819) at Toronto.

PREDATORS 3, CANUCKS 1

First Period

Penalty — Rome Vcr (tripping) 6:36.
Second Period
1. Nashville, Fisher 18 (Suter, Erat) 5:42 (pp)
2. Nashville, Kostitsyn 15 (Fisher, Gill) 13:16 (sh)
3. Vancouver, Weise 4 (Malhotra, Lapierre) 16:52
Penalties — H.Sedin Vcr (tripping) 4:58, C.Wilson Nash (hooking) 8:35, Bouillon Nash (tripping) 12:29, Burrows Vcr, Weber Nash (roughing) 19:23.
Third Period
4. Nashville, Legwand 14 (Erat, Fisher) 17:09
Penalty — H.Sedin Vcr (holding) 8:50.
Shots on goal
Vancouver 12 13 8 —33
Nashville 11 8 9 —28
Goal — Vancouver: Luongo (L,25-11-6); Nashville: Rinne (W,33-13-6). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Vanc: 0-2; Nashville: 1-3.
Att. — 16,769 (17,113) at At Nashville, Tenn.

OILERS 6, FLAMES 1

First Period

1. Calgary, Hannan 2 (Byron, Kolanos) 9:12
2. Edmonton, Eberle 26 (Gagner, Potter) 18:48
Penalties — Smid Edm (delay of game) 11:35, Giordano Cal (hooking) 14:12.
Second Period
3. Edmonton, Hemsky 5 (Hall, Horcoff) 8:09
4. Edmonton, Belanger 3 (Eager) 12:21
5. Edmonton, Gagner 14 (Eberle, Smyth) 12:51
6. Edmonton, Smyth 17 (Gagner, Petry) 18:56
Penalties — None.
Third Period
7. Edmonton, Hall 21 (Eberle, Whitney) 17:29 (pp)
Penalties — Giordano Cal (holding) 15:37, Giordano Cal (cross-checking) 19:57.
Shots on goal
Edmonton 17 16 9 42
Calgary 7 4 11 22
Goal (shots-saves) — Edmonton: Dubnyk (W,11-14-1); Calgary: Kiprusoff (L,27-18-5)(33-29), Karlsson (start third, 9-8). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Edm: 1-3; Cal: 0-1.
Attendance — 19,289 (19,289) at Calgary.

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Women's Singles — First Round
Ksenia Pervak (2), Kazakhstan, def. Rebecca Marino, Toronto, 6-2, 6-4.

Pauline Parmentier (5), France, def. Andrea Hlavackova, Czech Republic, 6-4, 4-6, 6-2.
Stephanie Foretz Gacon, France, def. Melanie Oudin, U.S., 6-2, 6-3.

Women's Singles — Second Round
Marina Erakovic (4), New Zealand, def. Evgeniya Rodina, Russia, 6-3, 6-4.

Varvara Lepchenko, U.S., def. Johanna Larsson (7), Sweden, 6-2, 6-4.
Vera Dushevina, Russia, def. Jamie Hampton, U.S., 6-4, 6-3.

ATP

OPEN 13

At Marseille, France
Singles — First Round
Richard Gasquet (5), France, def. Go Soeda, Japan, 6-0, 6-2.
David Goffin, Belgium, def. Adrian Mannarino, France, 6-2, 1-0 (retired).
Albano Olivetti, France, def. Matthias Bachinger, Germany, 6-4, 6-3.
Igor Kunitsyn, Russia, def. Roberto Bautista-Agut, Spain, 6-4, 6-4.
Nicolas Mahut, France, def. Arnaud Clement, France, 6-3, 6-4.
Nikolay Davydenko, Russia, def. Andreas Beck, Germany, 6-1, 7-5.
Karol Beck, Slovakia, def. Paul-Henri Mathieu, France, 7-6 (2), 2-6, 6-3.
Doubles — First Round
Mahesh Bhupathi and Rohan Bopanna (1), India, def. James Cerretani, U.S., and Adil Shamsadin, Pickering, Ont., 6-3, 5-7, 10-3 (tiebreak).

WTA

DUBAI CHAMPIONSHIPS

At Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Singles — First Round
Agnieszka Radwanska (5), Poland, def. Aleksandra Wozniak, Blainville, Que., 6-1, 6-7 (6), 7-5.

Peng Shuai, China, def. Marion Bartoli (6), France, 6-4, 6-3.
Ana Ivanovic, Serbia, def. Francesca Schiavone (7), Italy, 6-1, 7-5.

Iveta Benesova, Czech Republic, def. Dominika Cibulkova, Slovakia, 3-1 (retired).
Lucie Safarova, Czech Republic, def. Petra Martić, Croatia, 6-3, 5-7, 6-3.

Daniela Hantuchova, Slovakia, def. Polona Hercog, Slovenia, 1-6, 7-5, 7-6 (4).
Simona Halep, Romania, def. Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Russia, 6-4, 6-2.

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CANADIAN WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

SCOTTIES TOURNAMENT OF HEARTS

At Red Deer, Alta.

Province (skip)
Canada (Holland) 5 1
Manitoba (J.Jones) 5 2
B.C. (K.Scott) 4 2
Saskatchewan (Englot) 4 3
New Brunswick (Atkinson) 4 3
Alberta (Nedohin) 3 3
Quebec (Larouche) 3 3
N.L. (H.Strong) 2 4
Ontario (Horgan) 2 4
P.E.I. (Dolan) 2 4
NWT/Yukon (Galusha) 2 4
Nova Scotia (Smith-Dacey) 2 5

Yesterday's results

Ninth Draw

Manitoba 8 Nova Scotia 3
Newfoundland & Labrador 8 P.E.I. 4
Quebec 7 Northwest/Yukon Territories 5
Saskatchewan 11 New Brunswick 6

Draw 10

Alberta 7 British Columbia 4
Canada 9 Ontario 4
Manitoba 8 Saskatchewan 7 (extra end)
New Brunswick 8 Nova Scotia 4

Draw 11

Quebec vs. Canada
Northwest/Yukon Territories vs. Ontario
P.E.I. vs. Alberta
British Columbia vs. Newfoundland & Lab.

Monday's results

Sixth Draw

Alberta 8 Ontario 4
British Columbia 7 Canada 5

Seventh Draw

New Brunswick 8 Northwest/Yukon Terr. 6
Nova Scotia 10 Quebec 4
Manitoba 8 Newfoundland & Labrador 5
Saskatchewan 7

Eighth Draw

Canada 7 Manitoba 3
New Brunswick 8 Alberta 5
Nova Scotia 8 British Columbia 7
Saskatchewan 10 Ontario 3

Today's games

All times Eastern

Draw 12, 10:30 a.m.
New Brunswick vs. Ontario; Canada vs. Nova Scotia; Manitoba vs. British Columbia; Saskatchewan vs. Alberta.
Draw 13, 3:30 p.m.
British Columbia vs. Northwest/Yukon Territories; Quebec vs. Alberta; Ontario vs. Newfoundland & Labrador; Canada vs. P.E.I.

Draw 14, 9:30 p.m.

P.E.I. vs. Nova Scotia; Newfoundland & Lab. vs. New Brunswick; Quebec vs. Saskatchewan; Manitoba vs. Northwest/Yukon Territories.
Tomorrow's games
Draw 15, 10:30 a.m.
Alberta vs. Newfoundland & Labrador; British Columbia vs. P.E.I.; Canada vs. Northwest/Yukon Territories; Quebec vs. Ontario.

Draw 16, 3:30 p.m.

Manitoba vs. Quebec; Saskatchewan vs. Northwest/Yukon Terr.; New Brunswick vs. P.E.I.; Newfoundland & Labrador vs. Nova Scotia.
Draw 17, 9:30 p.m.
Canada vs. Saskatchewan; Ontario vs. Manitoba; Alberta vs. Nova Scotia; New Brunswick vs. British Columbia.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Miami	26	7	.788	—
d-Chicago	26	8	.765	1/2
Orlando	21	12	.636	5
d-Philadelphia	20	13	.606	6
Indiana	20	12	.625	5 1/2
Atlanta	19	13	.594	6 1/2
New York	16	17	.485	10
Boston	15	16	.484	10
Cleveland	13	17	.433	11 1/2
Milwaukee	13	19	.406	12 1/2
Detroit	11	23	.324	15 1/2
New Jersey	10	24	.294	16 1/2
Toronto	9	23	.281	16 1/2
Washington	7	25	.219	18 1/2
Charlotte	4	27	.129	21

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Oklahoma City	25	7	.781	—
d-San Antonio	23	10	.697	2 1/2
Dallas	21	12	.636	4 1/2
d-L.A. Clippers	19	11	.633	5
L.A. Lakers	19	13	.594	6
Houston	19	14	.576	6 1/2
Memphis	19	15	.559	7
Denver	18	15	.545	7 1/2
Portland	18	16	.529	8
Minnesota	16	17	.485	9 1/2
Utah	15	16	.484	9 1/2
Phoenix	14	19	.424	11 1/2
Golden State	12	17	.414	11 1/2
Sacramento	10	22	.313	15
New Orleans	7	25	.219	18

d — division leaders ranked in top four positions regardless of record.

Last night's results

Memphis 89 Philadelphia 76
Indiana 117 New Orleans 108 (OT)
Miami 120 Sacramento 108
Cleveland 101 Detroit 100
Portland 137 San Antonio 97
Monday's results
Chicago 90 Atlanta 79
New Jersey 100 New York 92
Dallas 89 Boston 73
Houston 97 Memphis 93
Oklahoma City 101 New Orleans 93
Orlando 93 Milwaukee 90
Denver 103 Minnesota 101 (OT)
Phoenix 104 Washington 88
San Antonio 106 Utah 102
Golden State 104 L.A. Clippers 97
L.A. Lakers 103 Portland 92

Tonight's games

All times Eastern
Boston at Oklahoma City, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Charlotte

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Engine

The heart of the transformation to R-Spec from an ordinary Genesis sedan sits between the front fenders. The displacement of the automaker's Tau-branded V8 has been increased to 5.0-litres from 4.6 and the horsepower/torque rating to 429 and 376 pound-feet from 385/333. For comparison, that's 17 horses more than the much-celebrated-by-Ford-fans 5.0 in the Mustang GT.

The new Hyundai R-Spec, is now the only Genesis V8 model available in Canada and employs the same powerplant as the larger and more luxurious Equus.

Bells and whistles

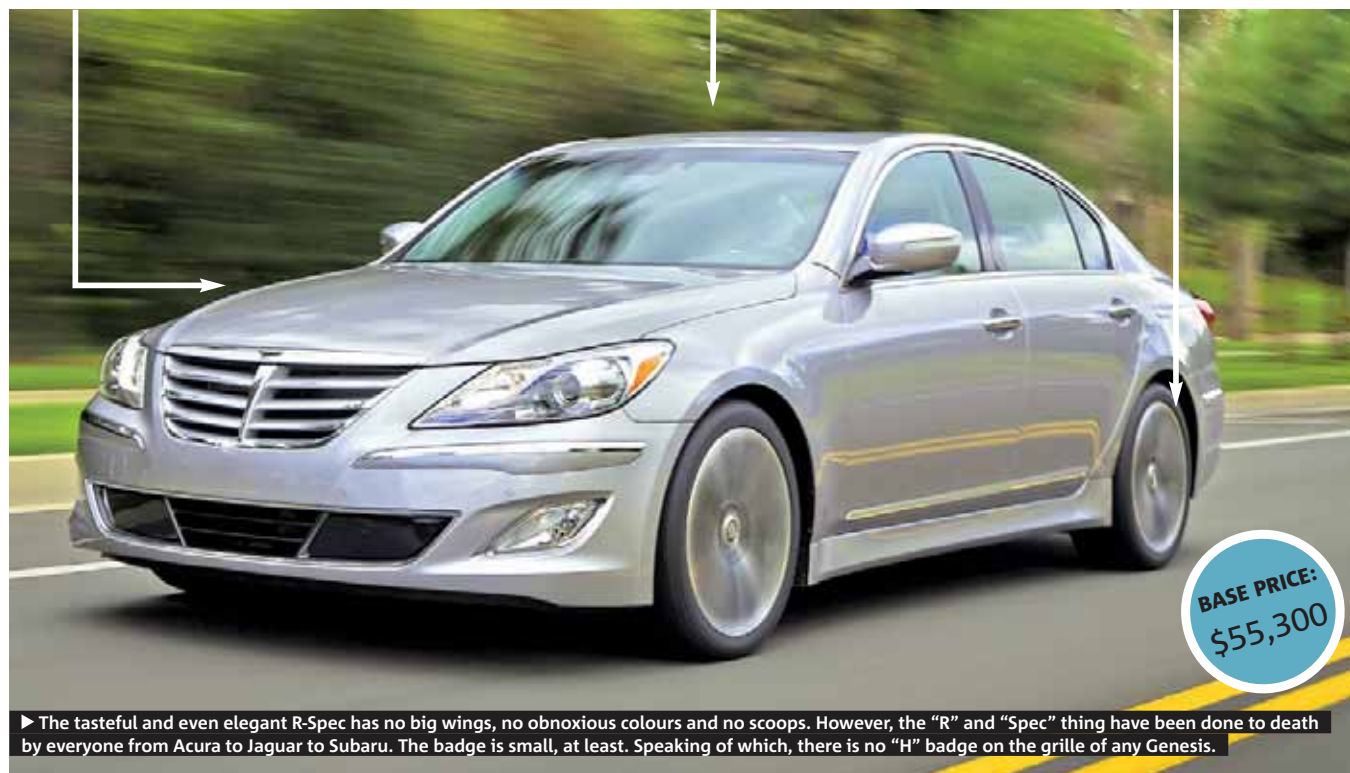
The R-spec theme continues inside with "tuxedo black" leather combined with bright trim surrounding the control panel and shifter.

And of course Hyundai's bells-and-whistles department has included most of the desirable items. That means you can count on a standard power sunroof, memory settings for the power front seats, heated front and rear seats plus steering wheel, woodgrain trim, front and rear park assist, backup camera and a 17-speaker premium sound package.

Performance

Despite the power bulge, the R-Spec still returns reasonable fuel economy of 13.1 l/100 km city and 8.1 highway.

On the performance front, Hyundai expects the R-Spec to run zero-to-60-m.p.h. (96 km/h) in the low-five-second range, which is pretty decent for a hefty 1,880-kilogram sedan.



► The tasteful and even elegant R-Spec has no big wings, no obnoxious colours and no scoops. However, the "R" and "Spec" thing have been done to death by everyone from Acura to Jaguar to Subaru. The badge is small, at least. Speaking of which, there is no "H" badge on the grille of any Genesis.

What does R-Spec spell?



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In Aretha Franklin's monster hit, she cried out for a little "R-E-S-P-E-C-T." The one thing you could say about that song and Hyundai's similarly named Genesis "R-Spec" sedan is that they both have plenty of soul.

Hyundai has confounded more than a few critics with the success of its full-size rear-wheel-drive four-door that was launched for the 2009 model year.

How could the company that brought us the lowly Excel and subsequent econo-runners dare to think that it could run with the big dogs from Detroit, Germany and Japan?

The Genesis was a gutsy call for the Korea-based automaker, especially when fuel prices were surging and the economy was losing steam. But the car's luxury leanings and comparatively modest price tag (likewise aided by a reassuringly lengthy warranty) have allowed the Genesis to carve out a niche. It also spawned the larger and even more luxurious Equus.

For 2012, Hyundai is branching out the Genesis, taking it on a path that involves the development of a performance brand dubbed the R-Spec. Forget the rather unoriginal "R" and "Spec" to denote performance, and consider that this car actually has real performance.



► For a sport package, the most obvious omission is the lack of metal foot pedals. The rest looks like it could come from Infiniti or Acura, which are likely competitors to the R-Spec.



► Artful exhaust finishers, tail chrome and LED lighting are contrasted by busy 19-inch wheels shod with Bridgestone summer tires.

Genesis R-Spec



What you should know about the 2012 Hyundai Genesis R-Spec:

- **Types:** Four-door, rear-wheel-drive full-size sedan.
- **Engine (hp):** 5.0-litre DOHC V8 (429).
- **Transmission:** Eight-speed automatic.
- **Market position:** The R-Spec label denotes significantly improved performance in much the same way that BMW's "M" cars and Mercedes-Benz's AMG denotes added sporting flavour. None compete at the R-Spec's price, though.
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 13.1/8.1.

By comparison

Chrysler 300c

Base price: \$41,700
Limo-like V8 has 363 hp. 470-hp SRT8 right in R-Spec's price bracket.



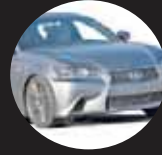
Lincoln MKS EcoBoost

Base price: \$55,400
Sedate sedan cruises with 355-hp turbocharged V6 and standard AWD.



Lexus GS 350

Base price: \$53,850
New rear-driver missing 120 horsepower, but AWD, hybrid available.



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Toyota 4Runner built 4 family confidence

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The last generation Toyota 4Runner was a sport utility vehicle (SUV) built with an appetite for towing, real off-road capability and plenty of all-season confidence.

Family ready and confident on any road or trail, 4Runner offered plenty of options, a high-class cabin and an entire aftermarket's worth of parts for customization.

2003-'09 Toyota 4Runner



Engine

Engine choices started with a four-litre, 245 horsepower V6 or a 4.7-litre V8. The V6 engine was eventually de-rated to 236 horsepower, while the V8 was bumped to 260.



What owners like

Owner praise for the last-generation 4Runner mainly comes from cargo carrying capacity, driving confidence and rugged styling. Many owners report a comfortable and quiet ride, too.



What owners dislike

Gripes are limited almost entirely to the fuel mileage complaints typical from most SUV owners. If you don't need an off-road capable 4x4, consider a minivan or smaller crossover.



Common issues

If you're buying an earlier model 4Runner in this generation, ensure the frame is relatively free of rust. Toyota had some very well-documented structural frame rust issues for several years, though these seem to have been corrected by time the last-generation 4Runner came around.

Signs of heavy off-road use may include excessive mud or sand packed into the vehicle's lower radiator area or underside. Get underneath and check for heavy denting or scrapes in the floor and frame rails. These could be a sign of abuse.

Verdict

If the used 4Runner model you're considering checks out, you're likely looking at a reliable, capable sidekick that'll serve your family for years to come.

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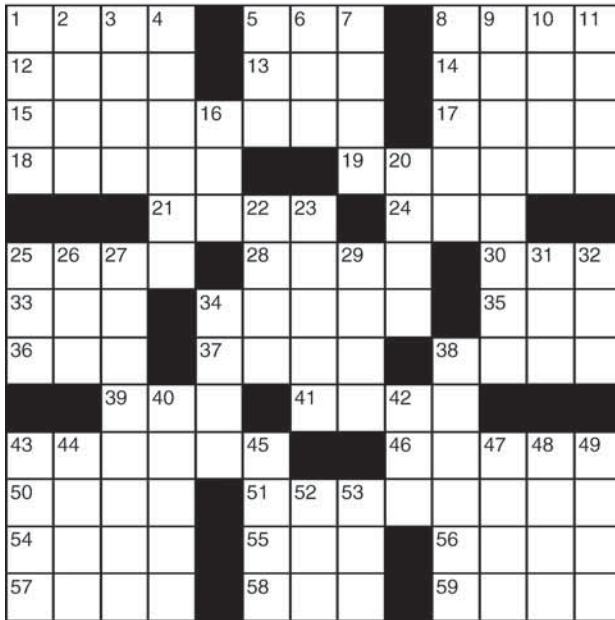
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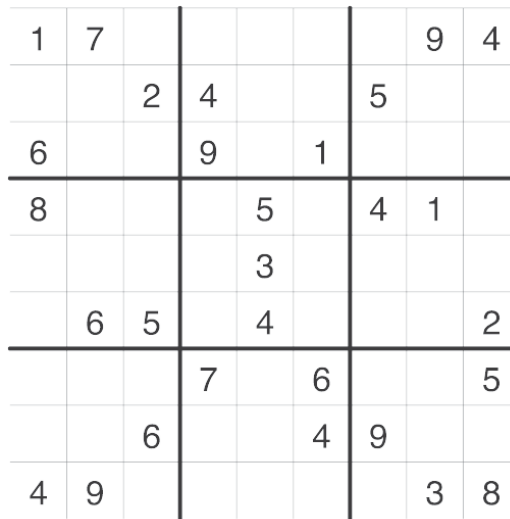
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29 Spool
31 Grazing land



Yesterday's answer



Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer

7	9	2	1	4	8	3	5	6
3	8	6	2	7	5	9	4	1
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A look at the weather

TODAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Min -1° Max 4°	Min -4° Max 1°	Min -12° Max -2°

Andrew Schultz, Meteorologist

"I get to spread the word on how your day, evening or weekend will shape up with our ever-changing weather here in Alberta". WEEKDAYS 5:30AM



Today's horoscope

♈ Aries March 21-April 20

You don't have to pretend you know all the answers. No one will think less of you for getting a few things wrong.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21

Someone whose power exceeds your own may seem threatening but planets indicate there is nothing he or she can do to hurt you.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21

If you want to get on in the world, you need to accept that setbacks and failures are inevitable.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22

You may feel deflated after the events of the past few days but there are a few surprises in store.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 23

The planets warn there are people in your social circle who would take advantage of your generosity.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22

If you fall behind in your schedule at work, you'll have to do a lot of catching up and making up later.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

There are things going on behind the scenes that you cannot possibly know about, but you can sense that changes are coming.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

You cannot make up your mind which of two paths you should be following. Only one can lead to the inner peace you crave. Take it.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

There are a number of loose ends that need to be dealt with right away. Invest the time needed.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

If you let negative thoughts gain a foothold, they will be extremely hard to get rid of again.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You can see that a different approach is needed on the romantic front. It's not a sign of weakness to show your feelings occasionally.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 You may hear something you are not supposed to hear today. If so, keep the information to yourself.

• SALLY BROMPTON

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